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Dear U.S. FDA Oockets Management Branch.

I am writing to support immediate implementation of the policy stated in docket # 98P-0151/CP1 that would prohibit purchasing meat from downed animals for all Federal programs (such as school lunch programs). Food from these downed animals poses a health risk for consumers which is unacceptable. The slaughter industry should be required to PREVENT injury to animals by adhering to better standards of care during transport and slaughter. The industry should be REQUIRED to humanely euthanize animals that do become injured instead of profiting from the sale of these downed animals.

Thank you for implementing this progressive and humane policy.

Please reply with an update on this docket item.

Most Sincerely, Patricia Travis Tomsik

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